



Become a steward by actively managing your land for personal benefits while protecting the quality of its natural resources for future generations.



The first step in becoming a steward is to have a management plan prepared by a resource professional.

A forest Stewardship Management plan includes:

- *A description of your goals and objectives*
- *An overview of current natural resource conditions on your property*
- *Individual maps showing property location, forest stands and soil types*
- *Stand descriptions and recommended management to meet your goals and objectives, while at the same time enhancing health and sustainability*

**For Further Assistance:
Contact your local
MDNR service forester**

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*A Richer Environment for
Today and Tomorrow*

Stewardship...
*"reflects a conviction
of individual's
responsibility for the
health on the land."*

Aldo Leopold





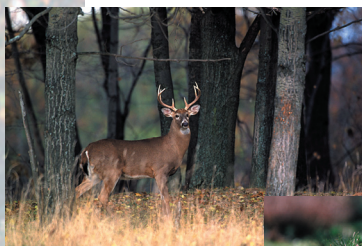
Create Your Legacy...

By Caring for the Future of Your Forest

Create your legacy by having a **FOREST STEWARDSHIP MANAGEMENT PLAN** developed.
It's easy, and it's a great way to accomplish three things:

1st

Stewardship planning ensures that you will get the maximum possible enjoyment from your forest, since you decide what the goals of your plan will be.



2nd

Stewardship planning can ensure that your heirs will be able to enjoy the forest as you do. A stewardship plan takes a long-term look at forest health and sustainability.



3rd

Stewardship planning is more than just words... it's **ACTION!** By protecting and enhancing your forest, you are creating environmental benefits like improved air and water quality, and wildlife habitat that make the entire community a better place.



Imagine the Possibilities...

- Harvest wood for personal use or for sale
- Attract more wildlife
- Plant trees for beauty or profit
- Create trails for hiking
- Protect your trees from fire, insects and diseases
- Increase your property value
- Protect water quality and soil productivity

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Up to 50% of the total cost of preparing a Forest Stewardship Management Plan may be available.

